

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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**RE:** MUR 5294

Peter Flaherty, as President of

Citizens for Reform

Dear Mr. Braden:

On May 13, 2002, you were notified that the Federal Election Commission closed the file as it pertained to your client, Peter Flaherty, as President of Citizens for Reform. On August 27, 2002, the Commission severed the portion of MURs 4568, 4633, 4634 and 4736 concerning your client and placed it into a new matter, designated MUR 5294. On the same date, the Commission closed MUR 5294. Accordingly, the confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public.

Because of restrictions recently placed on the Commission with respect to its making public investigative files in closed enforcement matters, the public record in this matter will consist of the relevant sections of the dispositive General Counsel's Reports, relevant sections of the Certifications of the Commission's votes, Conciliation Agreements and Statements of Reasons. See American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations v. FEC, 177 F. Supp.2d 48 (D.D.C. 2001), appeal docketed, No. 02-5069 (D.C. Cir. Feb. 28, 2002). Copies of these General Counsel's Reports and the Certifications of the Commission's votes as described above are enclosed. We will provide any forthcoming Statements of Reasons relating to CR to you under separate cover.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

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**Enclosures:** 

As stated.